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The following are enclosed for filing this nonprovisional application relating to:

**PROTECTION SWITCHING ARRANGEMENT FOR AN OPTICAL SWITCHING SYSTEM**

☐ CONTINUING APPLICATION. This is a ☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part of prior Application No. \_\_\_\_\_

☐ A Certified Copy of the application(s) from which this application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 has been filed in the prior application identified above.

☐ Copy of assignment(s) to Nortel Networks, recorded with respect to the prior application identified above.

☒ Specification, including Claims and Abstract

Pages: 22

☒ Drawings

Sheets: 14

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☐ Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application

☐ The entire disclosure of the prior application is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated therein by reference.

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